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Sir:		

In response to the Official Action dated May 13, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

## **IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please aménd claims 27, 28, 31, and 32 as follows:

27. (Amended) A print server to which at least one printer and a plurality of computers are connected, the print server comprising:

a job observation module for monitoring the status of the at least one printer

connected to the print server, and

a sender for sending the status to the plurality of computers when the status

the at least one printer changes.

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